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SAPC-4769 (Extra)

23 March 1956

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MEMORANDUM FOR : COLONEL [REDACTED]
AFCSS-PG

SUBJECT : MATS Support in Film Shipments

1. This HQ has developed a plan for supply of film to detachments and the flow of exposed film from the detachment to the processor. The major portion of the distance involved is spanned by MATS and it is intended to utilize their normal facilities for this distance.

2. Planning Factors

a. Supply of film to detachments.

(1) Initial shipment is proposed on or about the 1st of May and will approximate 7300 lbs. and 1,000 cu. ft.

(2) Subsequent shipments will commence on or about 10 May and every ten days thereafter approximating 3600 lbs. and 500 cu.ft. Unexposed film will not be escorted by the Project and will be unclassified.

b. Return of exposed film.

(1) Frequency ...twice a week

(2) Size approximately 1300 lbs and 180 cu. ft.

c. Case sizes will approximate the size of a footlocker or a small trunk and will weigh between 100 and 200 lbs.

d. Exposed film will be escorted by Project personnel.

3. Procedures Desired.

a. Film shipments from ZI to the Detachment will be delivered to Dover AFB, Dela., in accord with above sched. This delivery will be effected either by the producer or the project.

b. Normal NATS facilities are desired for delivery of each shipment from Dover to Burtonwood AFB, England. in accord with a designated priority. (It is recommended that [REDACTED] nomenclature and priority be applicable to these shipments also.)

c. Transport of film shipments from Burtonwood to Detachment location will be the responsibility of the Project (probably thru the SAC Support Wing).

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d. Exposed film will be transported and escorted to Burtonwood by Project personnel.

e. MATS transport from Burtonwood to Dover is required in accord with designated priority. Project personnel will escort the shipment to Dover.

f. Delivery of shipment from Dover to the processor will be project responsibility.

4. Requirements

a. It is requested that MATS provide space required in support of the above procedures and that your office take action to designate a priority.

b. It is requested that MATS provide secure, refrigerated space at each of the primary terminals involved for temporary storage of shipments and that MATS be instructed to arrange for secure, refrigerated storage of any shipments landing at an alternate base.

5. This memorandum will be amended to correct weights and sizes of shipments as necessary. Also detailed instructions as to contacts, receipting procedures desired, specifications of rooms, et cetera, will be forthcoming.

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Colonel, USAF

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